Application No. 09/848,940
Amendment dated January 21, 2004
Reply to Office Action dated November 7, 2003

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## **AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed November 7, 2003. Reconsideration of the application identified above is requested. Please amend the present application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 17 of this paper.

